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Toronto, August 31, 1893.

Weary not in Well Doing.

TICTORY, for the moment, rests with the Anti-Sunday car men. Whether it will be a temporary triumph or a success which will be held for many years, largely depends on the course which the friends of the Sabbath will from this out pursue. We rejoice that Toronto has maintained her high reputation and once more on Saturday last defended the right successfully. It is cause for profound thanksgiving. It was like David slaying Goliath. The armies of the living God were defied, His ministers traduced, insulted and slandered. The enemy was huge with vain boasting, swelled out with villainy and corruption. Who were the "Holy Willies," the parsons, the simple-minded, good people that they should oppose the gigantic corporation? They were unskilled in voting manipulation, in the wiles of the wary wire-puller and they must surely succumb to the superior tactics of the gang. But the Antis proved a little David. The sling and the stone were simple engines of warfare, yet the giant was slain. There is cause to praise the God of Battles for the victory. fore the result of the vote was known, it was said by the legal men who so admirably and courageously defended the Day of Rest, that should the vote be in favour of Sunday cars, the question would not be then settled, that the fight would only be at its beginning. Now the same thing is said on the other side. The pro car party are already conferring as to what steps will be taken to further their object. They declare the fight will not be given up until the battle has been wor for them. Therefore we cannot look upon Saturday's vote as having settled the question once for all during the term of the lease held by the company. Let us consider the fight as but beginning and prepare for the open outbreak which may come upon us at any moment. On the stand made by the present victors as we have said everything will depend.

It was therefore a wise thing on the part of the great public meeting on Saturday evening to have reappointed the Citizens' Association, and to have continued the organization. It is not unlikely that the association will have active duties on its hands almost immediately. It is said that before the present Council dissolves an effort will be made to get a by-law passed submitting the same issue to the electors in January. In doing so, the Sunday car men are actuated by two considerations: 1st, the subservience

of the present Council; 2nd, they would forestall legislation which might render Saturday's vote binding for a period of years. There is force in both of these considerations. It is doubtful if a council will ever again rule Torento who will so shamefully surrender its trust as the present Council has done, and the Sunday car people will try to get all they can out of the aldermen before they are retired to private life by the citizens; and it stands to reason if the matter is properly represented to the Legislature and pressure brought to bear, an Act will be passed which will secure the city from the turmoil and trouble of another vote for many years to come. In view of these things it is probable the Association will be called upon to face another vote a few months hence. The organization should be kept alive and funds should be subscribed which would be available on call when the necessity for using them does arise. There would be advantages and disadvantages in a January vote. There would be the safeguards, the big vote on municipal questions, the election vote and the prohibition plebiscite vote. On the other hand there would be the loss of the popular indignation which was aroused by the manner in which the late vote was sprung upon the people; the fact of the Street Railway Company paying the cost; of the holiday season being infringed upon; of the want of the legal protection in casting ballots, but, whatever the advantages or the disadvantages, success must be earned by wise and incessant

The ovation given to Rev. Dr. Caven by the large meeting on Saturday night was a tribute to the admirable service he rendered to the cause of the Sabbath in the contest. It was a tribute to the personal esteem in which he is held by the right thinking portion of the community. also, be taken as a vindication of the part performed by ministers of the Gospel in the campaign. The community will not forget what it owes to those men who in the face of misrepresentation and impudent personal attacks stood firmly in the breach and did their whole duty. test has brought the best element of the working classes and the ministers of the Gospel close together. The Church is the best friend workingmen have. Now that they have been co-operating in a struggle for the Sabbath, it would be well if the ministers would cement the partnership by exerting themselves in behalf of a statutory half-holiday for the benefit of toilers in every description of work where such was clearly possible.

Defeat may make those in favour of Sunday cars more desperate and determined, but victory and perfect faith in a righteous cause ought to be an inspiration against which even great odds should not prevail.

The Temperance Camp.

brought to a close on Monday at Toronto, was notable in many respects. To accommodate the many who attended a camp was formed on Centre Island Park and there large crowds assembled day after day for a fortnight. There were veteran workers who represented various shades of opinion as to how the drink traffic can best be put down, yet harmony prevailed, the proverbial lion and the lamb lying down together. The topics which were discussed were very varied, as might be expected, but the one aim kept steadily in view was total prohibition. Education Day was interesting on account of the address made by Hon. G. W. Ross, on the teaching of temperance principles